

Table – Characteristics of studies excluded following full text assessment

Study / Authors	Year	Country	Study Design	Study Objectives	Reasons for Exclusion
<i>Akintomide et al[5]</i>	2021	Austria, Finland, Germany, Poland, Sweden, UK	Prospective cohort	Secondary analysis of continuation, unwanted effects and cost consequences at 1 year in IUD users ≤30 in the European Active Surveillance Study for Intrauterine Devices	Undifferentiable results - IUD type categories based on IUD characteristics rather than brand or name of IUD
<i>Garbers et al[20]</i>	2013	USA	Retrospective records review	Prevalence and predictors of IUD discontinuation at 6 months in 306 Cu T380A users	Undifferentiable results; varied duration; 23 excluded from continuation analysis
<i>Goldstuck[21]</i>	1980	UK	Prospective cohort (selected)	Clinical evaluation of the combined multiload copper 250-mini IUD in selected nulliparous women	Undifferentiable results; disparity between data in tables and text
<i>Hindle[27]</i>	1978	Unable to confirm		Clinical evaluation and follow-up on 3,829 IUD procedures	Full text unobtainable
<i>Lete et al[22]</i>	1998	Spain	Prospective cross-sectional	Evaluation of IUD use in nulliparous women compared to parous women over a 12-year period	Data reported as incidence of events rather than rates
<i>Ogedengbe et al[23]</i>	1991	Nigeria	Prospective cohort	A comparison efficacy and discontinuation at 1 year of multiload and copper-T IUDs sequentially assigned to users	Parity of participants not detailed (mean parity 4); only one nulliparous participant
<i>Patnaik[28]</i>	2003	India	Unable to confirm	Uptake, satisfaction, retention and reasons for discontinuation of the copper T IUD	Full text unobtainable
<i>Petersen et al[29]</i>	1991	Unable to confirm	RCT – double blind	Significance of endometrial cavity length in the clinical performance of IUDs in nulligravidae	Full text unobtainable
<i>Phillips et al[24]</i>	2017	USA	Retrospective records review	Comparison of continuation and performance of levonorgestrel and copper intrauterine devices over 5 years	Undifferentiable results
<i>Sivin and Tatum[25]</i>	1981	USA	Prospective cohort	Clinical performance of the TCu 380A IUD over 4 years	Undifferentiable results
<i>Teal et al[26]</i>	2015	USA	Retrospective records review	Evaluation of the success and safety of intrauterine device (IUD) placement in adolescents based on age and parity	Undifferentiable results

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